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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to substantive examination, please amend and consider the instant application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the specification appear on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims appear on page three (3) through page four (4) of this paper.

Remarks begin on page five (5) of this paper.

The substitute abstract appears on page seven (7) of this paper.

In the Title:

Please substitute the following new title:

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING 2-(4-ETHOXY-PHENYL)-2-(4-METHANESULFONYL-PHENYL)-PYRAZOLO-1,5-BIPYRIDAZINE IN NANOPARTICULATE FORM.

In the Abstract:

Please substitute the abstract on the attached separate page.

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows.

At page 1, line 1-2, please delete

PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING 2-(4-ETHOXY-PHENYL)-2-(4-METHANESULFONYL-PHENYL)-PYRAZOLO-1,5-BIPYRIDAZINE IN NANOPARTICULATE FORM

and substitute therefore:

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At page 1, line 3, please insert the following headings and paragraph:

Cross References to Related Applications

This application is a 371 Application of PCT/EP03/02698, filed 13 March 2003, which claims priority to GB Application Serial No. 0206200.8, filed 15 March 2002.